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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## NEW SOUTH INGLEWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER OPENS JUNE 30

**WHO**: Metro Board of Parks and Recreation

WHAT: Opening of New South Inglewood Community Center

This new 23,000 square foot facility will boast a fitness center, indoor walking track, rooms for arts and crafts, computers, games, and meetings.

South Inglewood Park was originally known as Rock City Park because the park is on the site of an old rock quarry. The Park Board established the park at the request of an East Nashville Civic League in 1966 under a Federal Open Space grant. At the request of the civic league, the Board changed the name of the park to South Inglewood Park in July 1972.

This new 23,000 square foot facility will boast a fitness center, indoor walking track, rooms for arts and crafts, computers, games, and meetings. The center will serve approximately 100 children, adults and seniors in the area. Programs for the center include recreational games, sports and other recreational activities.

The unique feature of South Inglewood neighborhood center is its ongoing relationship with the Neighborhood association, Inglewood Elementary school and South Inglewood Church.

This relationship makes it possible for the center team to stay abreast of community needs. It has also been a great resource to the center for volunteers and donations of needed items.

The center has for several years partner with the school to offer a skating program that serves as an incentive for students to improve in their studies and behavior. Utilizing the new features of the center, which include; an indoor walking track, a fitness center, and an arts and craft room the staff will now be able add walking, exercise, and arts & crafts activities to the existing church/senior program.

The adults from the community will also share in the use of the features mentioned along with individual and team sports activities planned, including; Volleyball, Basketball and Softball intramural leagues.

WHERE: 1625 Rebecca Street

**WHEN:** 4:30 p.m., Monday, June 30, 2008

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